

## THE BLOOMFIELD CITIZEN.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1888.

## The New Township Law—What It Is.

An article by one of our reporters printed on the editorial page in last week's issue, seemed to indicate that the Township Committee had decided to refuse to order a special election relative to the new township law, without a more complete understanding of its provisions. On the contrary, we feel that this is the most important matter that has come before the township since the Greenwood Lake Railway bonding scheme, and should receive the most careful consideration by the people and their representatives.

There appears to be a widespread determination, among all classes of citizens, to scrutinize the provisions of the new law with the utmost care, and not to be in a hurry about it, either. The Township Committee merely reflected this popular sentiment when they called a meeting for last night to consider the new law and directed the Township Council to prepare for their use a synopsis of its provisions. The members were of the opinion that they could more fully grasp the scope of the law, if digested and freed from verbiage and unnecessary detail.

The CITIZEN has already presented to its readers on several occasions most of the important features of the law, but owing to the increasing interest in the subject, it has been thought wise to publish the synopsis prepared for the Township Committee, and it will appear next week. It is not claimed by its compiler to be a complete and exact photograph of the law for the use of lawyers, but a pencil sketch for the people. It is believed that no important feature has been omitted or slurred.

It is rumored that certain persons of influence in township affairs are inclined to go slowly, in view of the open announcement of Democratic legislators of their determination to make certain violent alterations in the new law. Well, in a multitude of counsellors there is safety. The subject also is large and capable of being regarded from many points of view. The law as it now stands, we are informed, on good authority, was largely the work of an eminent New Jersey Democrat, touched up a little by an able Republican country member of the Legislature. It was carried by many Democratic as well as Republican votes, and seems to be a most statesman-like measure, almost absolutely free from provisions for mere party advantage. We do not believe that certain Essex County Democrats will be able to carry out the design of turning this law into a piece of machinery for converting Bloomfield into a Democratic township. But since they are so very confident that the Democratic Legislature will sacrifice interests in every part of the State for mere party advantage in one locality, some conservative individuals are inclined to hold back. Meanwhile the people are being educated.

## A Lecture.

The calls upon the benevolence of the members of the Grand Army of the Republic have been so many during the past year that the charity fund of this local organization is about exhausted. At the request of William S. Pierce, Post, the Rev. F. C. Iglehart, of the Central M. E. Church in Newark has kindly consented to deliver a lecture on the subject of "Brown and Bread" at the M. E. Church in Bloomfield on Wednesday evening, December 19th, for the benefit of the Post. As the lecturer is one of the most eloquent ministers in his denomination, and gives his valuable services without any charge; and the church authorities only require that the actual cost of heating, lighting and cleaning the edifice shall be paid, a large audience ought to be in attendance, and a successful financial result be thus assured. The tickets are twenty-five cents each, and may be obtained of the members of the Post.

## Protection—New Building for the Y. M. C. A.—Soldier's Monument

It is a well known fact that Bloomfield has been remarkably free from burglaries and the depredations of evil disposed persons. This may be accounted for by the existence of the Citizen's Protective Association, which is a society of citizens, organized to prevent robberies, to arrest and convict any who may commit depredations against property or person of any member of the association.

The officers are prominent men of our town. That their services have been efficient it is only necessary to state that detectives have frequently been employed to watch suspicious persons, arrests have been made, and at least eight robbers have been tried, convicted and sent to prison.

At a recent meeting it was resolved to extend the advantages of the Association to any citizen owning property, and to invite new members to join by paying three dollars to the Treasurer, Mr. James P. Jones; and thereafter the regular dues of one dollar per year. Any persons wishing to avail themselves of this offer may communicate with Mr. Jones.

The members of the Association, feeling benevolently inclined at their last meeting, and having in the treasury a surplus beyond what it was thought would be probably needed in detective service, resolved to make two donations; first, to give to the Young Men's Christian Association

toward a new building, the sum of four hundred dollars any time within two years that the Y. M. C. A. will begin to build, they having first raised ten thousand dollars for that purpose; second, they resolved to give to the Bloomfield Veterans Association toward a Soldiers' Monument the sum of two hundred dollars at any time within two years that the Veterans will begin to erect the monument, they having first raised as much as fifteen hundred dollars for this purpose.

It is to be hoped that both the societies will avail themselves of the donation and that in the near future a fine building and monument will be in course of construction.

## Y. M. C. A. Notes.

—Notice—The Association is in need of a few small tables and a small sized stove. Who will volunteer to donate these conveniences?

—The gymnasium in the pavilion adjoining the depot will be opened on Tuesday evening, Dec. 18th.

—The Board of Directors will hold a special meeting on the 19th inst. for the transaction of important business.

—Our best wishes attend our friend Mr. G. T. Moore, on his trip to Montana.

—Pens thankfully received from J. Fred Willis.

## N. P. U.

It is desirable that all citizens of the Phil. Kearney Council No. 35, N. P. U. attend the next regular meeting which will be held in the Council rooms Monday Eve. Dec. 17th., as the annual election of officers takes place on that night.

—It will pay every reader of THE CITIZEN to use the Newark Bee Hive's Holiday Presentation List as advertised on the second page. The otherwise always difficult task of making selections is here made easy and it promises greater return for your money than ever before.

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